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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION (37 CFR 1.56 AND 1.97-1.98)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)(3) and in an effort to comply with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, the following information is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office, *i.e.* the European Patent Office, in a counterpart foreign application (the counterpart European application) not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement. The European Search Report was completed on September 16, 2002.

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